

## New York State Department of Labor Apprentice Training Opportunity

Announcement

George E. Pataki, Governor

Linda Angello, Commissioner

## **OPERATING ENGINEERS RECRUIT APPRENTICES**

Lake View, NY (May 19, 2004) -- The Operating Engineers Joint Apprenticeship and Training Committee, Local 17, will conduct recruitment from June 30 through November 24 for eight operating engineer (heavy equipment) apprentices, State Labor Commissioner Linda Angello announced today. Five applicants will be accepted from Zone A\* and three from Zone B.\*

Applications can be obtained in person only at the local, 2342 Pleasant Ave., Lake View, from 9 a.m. to noon and from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m., the last Wednesday of each month during the recruitment period.

The committee requires that applicants:

- Be at least 18 years old.
- Have a high school or general equivalency diploma -- transcript or certificate required after acceptance for the program.
- \*Live in Erie County (Zone A)
- or Cattaraugus, Chautauqua, Orleans, Wyoming or western Genesee County, excluding Batavia (Zone B).
- Be a United States citizen or legally entitled to work in the U.S.
- Take an aptitude test.
- Have a driver's license -- apprentices will be required to drive company vehicles.
- Have a valid means of transportation to work and apprentice school.
- Pay a \$15 processing fee -- fee will be waived for social services recipients.
- Sign an affidavit stating they are physically able to do the work.

For further information, applicants should contact the New York State Department of Labor office located nearest their home.

Apprentice programs registered with the Department of Labor must meet standards established by the Commissioner. Under state law, sponsors of programs cannot discriminate against applicants because of race, creed, color, national origin, age, sex, disability or marital status. Women and minorities are encouraged to submit applications for apprenticeship programs. Sponsors of programs are required to adopt affirmative action plans for the recruitment of women and minorities.

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